

Adam and Eve blame each other

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We blamed each other, fell to bickering.
Who was at fault? Who had lost paradise?
I was the first to fall, to open my eyes.
Back in the leaves I heard the tempter sing
Music of old rebellions, whispering
Soft seductive promises and lies
Buzzing around, Beelzebubs of flies.
I had lost Eden for a little thing.
What was the allure murmuring in the trees?
Why had the evil seemed as beautiful
As noxious flowers not yet gone to seed?
Here in the alchemy of sin, our fall
Made visible the midnight where the snake
Teased me with darkness I reached out to take.